lack cleanliness, maintenance and upkeep causing avoidable inconvenience to the rail passengers of these trains;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) what steps Government have taken or purpose to take to ensure clealiness in South bound trains?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise;

(c) The following steps have been taken to improve cleanliness of all trains;

(i) Proper cleaning of both exterior, interior and toilets of all the coaches are ensured at the base stations before the departure of trains.

(ii) Periodical disinfection of coaches through approved agencies are carried out to eliminate the menace of cockroaches and rats;

(iii) Regular monitoring of condition of coaches through inspections.

(iv) All the coaches are watered at base stations and at nominated enroute watering stations to ensure availability of water in the coaches.

(v) High pressure car washing plants are used at important enroute stations to clean the toilets.

ROB/RUB in Gujarat

1809. SHRI RAJU PARMAR: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of over bridges/under bridges under construction in Gujarat;

(b) the details of the proposals sent by the Government of Gujarat for construction of over bridges/under bridges at level crossing;

(c) the steps taken by the Union Government thereon; and

(d) the funds allocated for construction of such bridges during the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA): (a) Following two works of ROBs/RUBs in

Gujarat State are under construction at present on cost sharing basis.

ROB/RUB Work	Status:
1. RUB in liew of L.C. NO. 11 between Sabarmati-Gandhidham.	Sanctioned Railways' portion of work is also being executed by Ahmedabad Municipal Corporation.
2. ROB in lieu of L.C. No. 20 B between Sant Road-Piplod	Sanctioned but frozen as State Govt. had not furnished revised General Arrangement Drawing.

(b) No proposal of ROB/RUBs for construction on cost sharing basis has been received from the state Govt. However, 3 works of ROBs at Himmatnagar, Anand and Sidhpur are in progress on deposit terms and 5 works of ROB/RUBs are in progress under BOT scheme.

(c) Does not arise.

(d) For on going works of ROB/RUBs in Gujarat, funds to the tune of Rs. 145 lakh, Rs. 92.40 lakh and Rs. 63.15 lakh were allotted during 2000-01, 2001-02 and 2002-03 respectively.

Pantry Car in long distance trains

1810. SHRI PRASANTA CHATTERJEE: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of long distance trains with pantry car facility;

(b) the number of long distance trains without pantry car facility;

(c) whether Government intend to provide all such trains with pantry car facility; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA): (a) and (b) Informaiton is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

(c) As per policy, pantry car services are provided on long distance mail/express trains based on duration of the journey, the catering facilities available from static units enroute, demand from passengers and the availability of pantry car as well as the operational feasibility.

(d) Does not arise.